

**PRESTWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES MEETING TUESDAY 26TH APRIL 2022
19.15hrs 65 CLUB, MAIN STREET, PRESTWICK**

The meeting commenced at 19.15hrs.

SEDERUNT:

COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS:

Meic Evans (Chair & Planning):

Shirley Harris:

Margaret Milligan (Secretary)

Al Priestnall:

Jim Riach:

Jim Ronney:

Alison Smith:

Bob Smith:

Norrie Smith:

Mike Tomlinson:

Iain Tulloch:

Julie Twaddell

June Whittaker (Treasurer):

Patricia Young (Licensing):

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL:

Jill Tomlinson, Liaison Officer:

Cllr. Hugh Hunter:

Craig Ross, Schools Officer:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

M. Tulloch J. Park:

APOLOGIES:

Derek Hart (Vice Chair) PCC: Theresa Sander (PCC): Sgt Lisa Thompson, Police Scotland:

1. Welcome:

The Chair welcomed all to the first meeting proper of Prestwick Community Council (PCC), indeed an historic occasion.

2. Sederunt/Received Apologies/Declaration of interests

Sederunt and apologies were as noted as above. There was no declaration of interests.

3. Police Report:

As apologies had been received from Police Scotland, the police report had already been circulated, with all confirming they had received and read it.

An issue was raised regarding vehicles being parked for days, sometimes weeks on end, in the vicinity of Macintyre Road, Seagate and Kirk Street, literally using as a car park, with nothing being done about it. Cllr. Hunter was aware of the problem and would chase this up with Roads Alliance. Parking restrictions were then brought up, to which the Chair suggested as these points were not police matters, they should be brought up under SAC reports or A.O.C.B.

4. Hearing/Open Forum:

There were no questions from members of the public present, therefore the Chair invited Craig Ross, Depute Head, Prestwick Academy to give a school's report. Craig thanked Prestwick Community Council (PCC) for inviting him along and looked forward to working with them in the future. He gave an update on Prestwick Academy advising he would send a copy report to the Secretary to distribute. When asked about the ongoing problems regarding litter from school pupils at lunchtimes and the chances of amalgamating lunch times, he confirmed informal talks had been held with local businesses regarding this.

5. Minutes Inaugural Meeting 5th April 2022:

The Secretary confirmed an amendment on page 2 for the previous minutes. John Clark should read John Park. Bob Smith also referred to page 2 seeking clarity on point of possibility of alternating venues for meetings. The two paragraphs on page 2 and 3 regarding this point were read out by Alison Smith as clarification. The minutes were then approved, proposed by Mike Tomlinson and seconded by Alison Smith.

6. Matters arising from the approved minutes:

- The Chair advised the Link Officer he was still awaiting the return of the first draft of the Local Development Plan (LDP) and queried an earlier proposal in Locality Plans where Prestwick would be split into 3 areas. The Link Officer confirmed she would look into this.
 - Jim Riach mentioned the proposal of rotating meeting venues and times, and how this may confuse the public. Would it not be better to have set time and venue? The Chair advised there were several reasons for perhaps rotating venues, including a degree of accessibility and outreach; however, this could be discussed at the May meeting before any decision made. Both the 65 Club and Kingcase Church were accessible venues.
 - Alison Smith raised the question of former community councillor John Park being co-opted to PCC, as he was a valuable member previously with a wealth of knowledge. The Link Officer agreed to look at the procedure for co-opting and inform PCC.

7. South Ayrshire Councillors' reports:

Hugh Hunter: gave an update, and took questions, the salient points being:

- Damage to the sea wall - he would look into this
- Invitation to complete Carers survey – the Secretary confirmed she had already distributed this
- Wellbeing survey to be sent to the Secretary for distribution
- Discussion on Men's Shed, wellbeing for men and the benefits of same.

8. Treasurer's report:

Currently still two bank accounts for PSCC and PNCC with £418.11 (*amended from £448.11*) and £447.13 held in both accounts respectively. The treasurer currently finalising arrangements for the new PCC bank account. The Link Officer to check whether, after all expenditure finalised, any surplus funds can be transferred over to PCC.

9. Planning Report:

Discussion took place on the planning report submitted to members by the Chair, also SAC planning time tables and decisions. Specific applications of note were:

22/00264/APP erection of 20 dwelling flats in Ardayre Road and formation of parking. This is the plot where the Parkstone Hotel was, prior to demolition.

22/00192/APP, 3 St. Quivox Road, change of use from existing Class 3 to Sui Generis hot food takeaway. This was formerly Flakes, who are now moving into the vacant property which used to

be the Pet Shop. Nearby residents not happy with the new application, which will increase litter and footfall. No proper provision for waste disposal was ever made when the units went into St. Quivox Road, and the Chair agreed to look into this and to submitting an objection.

10. Licensing Report:

The last meeting of the Licensing committee held on 19th April 2022 had been held virtually and it may be that future meetings will be the same. The Eagle Tavern has been taken over and is now the Hangar.

11. Correspondence:

The Secretary had received a thank you letter from John and Ruby Taylor of the 65 Club, for the gift of flowers and chocolates from PNCC in appreciation of their help over the years. Any other Email correspondence from various sources is forwarded to the committee.

12. A.O.C.B:

- It was noted there were repairs required to Bruce's Well
- Queen's Jubilee celebrations – too late for PCC to organise anything as cut-off date for funding was prior to their formation
- Lengthy discussion took place on the lack of Public Toilets in Prestwick and the subject of having to pay for the use of toilet facilities at Mancinis by card rather than cash which was introduced by SAC. Various suggestions were put forward, including a public buy out of the toilets, putting forward to SAC ways that could improve things including better methods of payment. To look at what other communities and councils do regarding this topic, and then put forward ideas to SAC for consideration, rather than complain

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.45 hrs.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 31st May 2022, 19.15hours, 65 Club, Main Street, Prestwick.